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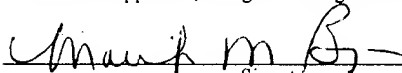
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 6, 2002, which sets a three-month period for response.

**AMENDMENT**

It is respectfully requested that the application be amended without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, as follows:

**In the Claims**

1. (Amended) An ~~isolated~~ antibacterial protein isolated from *S. salivarius* strain K12, on deposit at Deutsche Sammlung von Mikroorganismen Und Zellkulturen GmbH, Braunschweig, Germany, accession number DSM 13084, which has a molecular mass of

*Streptococcus*